

DATE:

February 20, 1984

TO:

Land Division File

FROM:

William E. Zierath, DLPC/FOS-Central Region

SUBJECT: LPC #01904502 - CHAMPAIGN COUNTY - MAHOMET/PRAIRIE PAINT & ADHESIVE



An investigation of this hazardous waste storage facility was conducted on February 20, 1984, to observe the removal of the barreled wastes. David C. Jansen, DLPC/FOS-Central Region, accompanied me on this investigation.

The barrels were being removed by Mid-America Environmental Service of Riverdale, Illinois, under contract from the James E. Campbell estate. Mr. Ron McFarland of Mid-America was in charge of the project. Mr. Richard Strand of Mid-America was also interviewed.

When we arrived, Mid-America had already begun moving the barrels out of the shed. They were using a Clark Bobcat endloader with a forklift attachment. The barrels were placed into oversized drums. The drums were loaded into semi-trailers. The forklift operator and the other workers were equipped with level C protection.

Soon after we arrived at the site, Mr. Gene Loy, a former employee of the site, arrived. He explained that he had been hired by the Campbell estate to watch over the shed. He expressed concern over the fact that the barrels were being removed through the front of the shed, but the back door was also open. I assured him that we would keep unauthorized people out of the shed during the cleanup operations. He also said that the company's practice had been to dump waste paint and solvents on the ground behind the shed. Therefore, he wanted the IEPA to inform Mr. Jack Waaler, attorney for the estate, that the site represented a continuing threat and that they should continue to pay Mr. Loy to watch the place. We explained that the Agency would be collecting soil samples at a later date.

After talking to Mr. Loy, we went to the front of the building to watch the first overpacked drums being loaded into the trailer. The forklift operator dropped the first overpacked drum twice, the seond drum once and the third drum three times. By the time the third drum was successfully loaded into the trailer, the bottom had begun to separate from the sides of the drum. This drum was removed from the trailer and set aside. The overpack drum was later replaced.

Mr. Cliff McDuffy, the operator of the auto body shop operating out of the building on the west part of the Campbell estate property, asked to talk to us. He said he was thinking of buying the property and wanted to know what the owner's liability would be for removing any contaminated soil. We recommended that he make sure he had a clause in any purchase agreement that held the previous owner responsible for the cleanup. He then told us that he had already signed the contract for deed and had made his down payment. We explained we would be collecting soil samples on a later date and that the amount of soil to be removed would be determined after the lab results are received.

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The barrel located closest to the northwest corner of the shed broke apart as the forklift operator tried to lift it. The dark brown liquid inside the drum was extremely viscous. A surface film formed on the liquid after a short exposure to air. Therefore, the spilled liquid was fairly easy to clean up. The spilled liquid and contaminated soil was placed in the overpack drum with the rest of the broken drum.

The overpacked drums were labeled as hazardous waste and flammable liquid. Sixty (60) drums were loaded in one truck and 26 in the other. The trucks were delayed in leaving for about one-half hour because Mr. Waaler was late in arriving to sign the generator portion of the manifests. Mr. Waaler complained about having to sign the manifests because he didn't feel the barrels were the responsibility of the estate.

All of the 55-gallon drums were removed from the shed and hauled away by Mid-America. Five fiber drums and four bags were left at the site. The bags contain PVC powder. According to Mr. Loy, one of the drums contained lead pigment. The fiber drum was about half full of white powder. Another drum was about one-third full of chunks of clear, plastic-like material. Mr. Loy said that this material was the binder used in paint.

Mr. Loy said that he was to remove the junk that had been dumped on the original storage area of the drums. We said that the soil testing would have to wait until the junk was removed.

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Attachments

cc: DLPC/FOS, Central Region
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY STATE OF ILLINOIS $\frac{L P C F C O 5 5}{(1)} \frac{5}{(8)} \frac{C}{(9)}$ OBSERVATION REPORT - SITE INVENTORY NO. O 1904502(11) (18)

Champaign CO. - L.P.C. Region # (20)

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Photos Taken: Yes (22) No ()

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Previous Inspection 7-21-83

Previous Correspondence 1-17-84

Site Open: Yes (X) No () TYPE OF OPERATION: OPERATIONAL STATUS: AUTHORIZATION: Operating $\langle \chi \rangle$ Temporarily Closed () Closed Not Covered () () Board Order () Illegal (5) () Closed and Covered () LMP ROVED Apparent Non-Compliance (5)() GENERAL REMARKS: An inspection at this unauthorized hazardous waste storage facility was conduct February 20, 1984 to observe the removal of the barress of hazardous waste. Dave Japsen DLPC/FOS-Central Region accompanied me on this inspection. See. Memo dated February 20, 1984 for details DETERIORATED !NTERVIEW: DIAGRAM:

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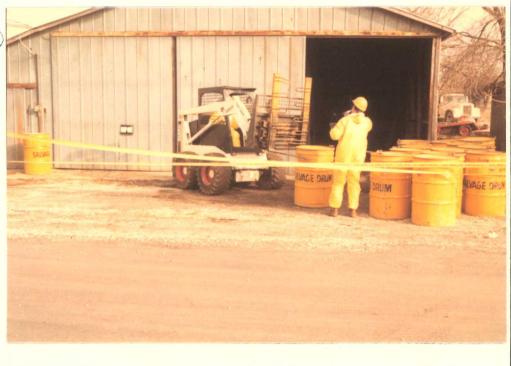
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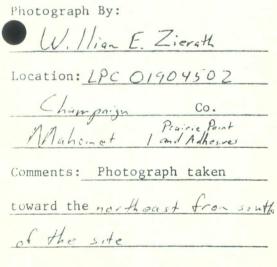
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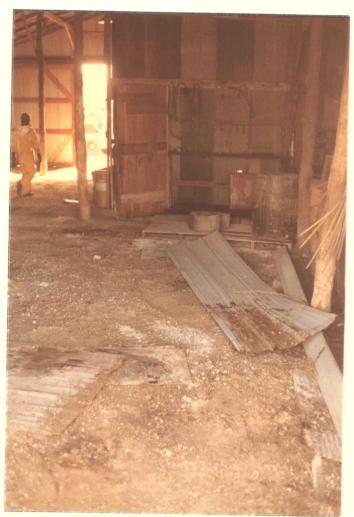
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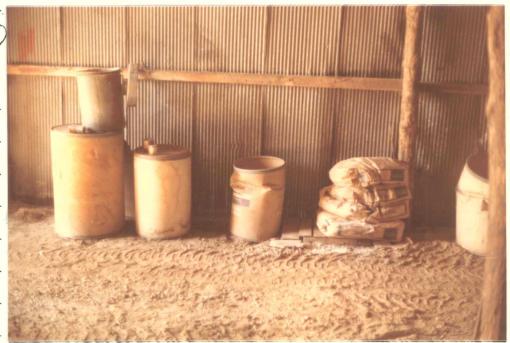
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